

The Founder Fire

Fire that's
closest kept
burns most of all



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THE FOUNDER CAMPS COME OF AGE

This is the twenty-first season of the Founder Camps. During these twenty years more than twelve thousand young people and leaders have received training for leadership in the various camps conducted by the Founder group.

With but few exceptions, every state in the United States and every province of Canada has been represented in the camp-conferences.

Scarcely a Christian denomination can be named that has not had representatives in the Founder Camps.

It is frequently stated that the Founder Camps represent a cross-section of the youth of the continent. How true this is may be seen from the fact that the Founder campers and leaders include in their number, men and women and young people from all walks of life. Ministers, teachers, lawyers, doctors, merchants, scientists, manufacturers, farmers, writers, statesmen, miners, aviators, nurses, educators, publishers, salesmen, editors, executives, auditors, senators, judges, congressmen, social workers, Y.M. and Y.W.C.A. secretaries, Boy Scout and Four-H Club leaders in fact, scarcely a vocation or life calling can be named that does not have in it a generous quota of leaders who have had training in the Founder Christian Leadership Training Camps.

It is wholly impossible to measure the extent or estimate the results of the leadership and service of this great army of youth and youth leaders in the affairs of the home, church, community, state, the nation, and we may well add the world, for Founders today are living on all parts of the globe.

Training for Christian leadership in all vocations and in all walks of life has been the steady emphasis of these camps right on through the years. The development of Christian character, the enrichment of life, purposeful life planning, balanced fourfold development and the acceptance and living of the camp motto - "My own self at my very best all the time" - these and other worthy emphases have broadened the scope of the Founder training camps during the more recent years.

Steadily and with unswerving purpose the whole Founder enterprise has made its impress on the lives of countless thousands of people, both in the camps and in the year-round service of the Foundation.

The Founder Fellowship has grown from the small band of leaders and campers who trained together in the pioneer camps of 1914, to a large army of purposeful Christian men and women who firmly believe that life can only be lived at its best when it is lived in harmony with His Way.

If you have been in any of the Founder Camps you are a member of the Founder Fellowship - once a Founder, always a Founder. Though you may be far removed from the days when you were in the camps, the Fellowship still claims you and offers you the warmth of its friendly circle.

It is your privilege to point others to the experience that has meant so much to you. That is one of the joys of the Founder Fellowship. Certain campers and leaders have never failed to send someone of their own choosing annually to the Founder Camps for training. Some, it is true, have not yet experienced the thrill and joy of sharing their camp experience with others.

To all, this is a definite call to make the 21st Birthday of the Founder Camps the occasion for special service in sending some carefully chosen young leader to Miniwanca or Merrowvista for training. The best promotional days are here right now. A half hour's talk with the father or mother of an eligible camper may result in a new member for the Founder Fellowship and a life made purposeful through the training received in our Founder Camps.

Resolve to send your "personally chosen" representative and thus make the 21st Birthday Party of the Founder Camps a worthy event in the history of the Founder Fellowship.

Note: As this material is being written, there is every indication that the Younger Boys' and Girls' Camps at Miniwanca will exceed the high registration marks of last summer. There is still time to send boys and girls to these camps but especially do we want your help in the final drive for registrations for the Senior Camps.

AN INSIDE QUERY

Why is life so often a tangle of separate experiences?
Is it because the confusion of attractions and appeals
has frustrated the making of a unifying pattern?

Better spend two weeks at Merrowvista or Miniwanca to
begin or to further the building of this satisfactorily
adequate philosophy or plan of life. Here's expecting
you!!!

- Dad

THE MERROWVISTA DIVISION OF THE AMERICAN YOUTH FOUNDATION

At the January meeting of the Board of Trustees, it was unanimously voted to effect the organization of the Merrowvista Division of The American Youth Foundation.

Mr. Alfred H. Avery, Vice-President of The American Youth Foundation, Incorporated, was elected President of The American Youth Foundation of New Hampshire.

Plans for the New England work were presented and approved, and Mr. Avery was authorized to proceed at once with the organization of this new department of work in The American Youth Foundation.



Mr. Herbert C. Mayer (Kicica) who has been actively identified with the Founder Camps since the beginning of the camp-conference movement, and who since 1920 has served almost continuously as Director of the New England camps, has been elected to the staff of the Foundation to serve as the executive officer of the Merrowvista Division.

A complete organization for promotional purposes is rapidly being effected. This organization will consist of a general Merrowvista Division Advisory Council of fifteen prominent men and women; an Executive Committee of seven men to actively promote the work; regional or zone leaders who will be responsible for designated field areas; and finally, local leaders who will promote the work in local communities.

A quota of 175 girls and 125 boys has been set for the 1934 camps, and the entire Merrowvista Division organization, backed by the American Youth Foundation office, is hard at work to achieve these goals.

The organization of the Merrowvista Division was begun six years ago when action was taken by the Board of Trustees looking to a more intensive development of our work in New England and the Eastern states. With everyone in the territory served by the Merrowvista Division putting their shoulders to the wheel and under the spirited leadership of Mr. Avery and Kicica, it is expected that the Older Boys' and Girls' Camps at Camp Merrowvista will register at least one hundred more campers than the total enrollment of the 1933 camps.

So, up and at it, you loyal Merrowvista sons and daughters! Your first and immediate job is to register campers for the 1934 camps. You can do it and you will!

AMERICAN YOUTH FOUNDATION DIRECTORS AT CAMP MERROWVISTA

Dad Waite will, as usual, be on the leadership staff of both the Older Boys' and Older Girls' Camps. Minisino is endeavoring to arrange his busy schedule so as to pay his customary visit to both camps, and Wadjepi will be present for a block of time in both the Older Boys' and Older Girls' Camps.

A GREAT CURRICULUM

In the last issue of The Founder Fire reference was made to the fact that some very attractive changes have been made in the curriculum of the Founder Camps. So much interest was manifested that we are now giving an outline of the courses. The new courses have been added with a view to furthering the realization of the two fundamental purposes of the Founder Camps, namely - to help young people develop in a balanced fourfold way and to train them for Christian leadership in the life work of their choice. Particularly will these courses help youth make constructive use of the "new leisure" and give them Christian principles for daily living, beginning at home and spreading to their larger relationships.

The Leaders' Institute courses are most attractive with the addition of a new course - "Trends in Religious Education."

FIRST YEAR

Balanced Fourfold Development

Life of Jesus

The Art of Successful Living

Leisure Time Cultural Interest

Electives:

Beginners Swimming

Aquatic Leadership

Crafts

Campcraft

Use and Appreciation of Art

Electives:

College Adjustment

Church's Young Peoples' Program

4-H Club Work

Achievement Analysis

SECOND YEAR

Christian Ethics

The Process of Inner Growth
(Devotional Life)

Recreational Leadership

Vocational Principles

Electives:

Use and Appreciation of Art

Crafts

Campcraft

THIRD YEAR

The Place of the Bible in the
Enrichment of Life

Building a Life Philosophy

Outdoorscraft

Beacon Lights of Church History

Community Life and Responsibilities

FOURTH YEAR

The Technique of Leadership

Seminar on "The Home"

Horizons

Seminar on World Problems

World's Living Religions

LEADERS' INSTITUTE*

Balanced Fourfold Development

Adolescent Psychology

Adolescent Teaching Methods

Trends in Religious Education

*(Above are only the 1934 courses -
others are offered each year.)

MERROWVISTA CURRICULUM

The Merrowvista curriculum is substantially the same as that at Miniwanca. The same fine courses will be offered although slight changes have been made in titles and in classification of the courses. Following is an outline of the Merrowvista curriculum.

I. REQUIRED COURSESFIRST YEAR

Balanced Development for
Successful Living

Outstanding Lives of History

SECOND YEAR

Man's Struggle for an Ideal
Social Order

Development of Civilization

THIRD YEAR

Building a Philosophy of Life

Great Philosophies and Religions

FOURTH YEAR

Achievement of Leadership

Leadership and Social Action

II. SPECIALIZATION COURSESRECREATIONAL LEADERSHIP

Playground Games

Recreational Supervision

Private Coaching

SOCIAL AND RELIGIOUS LEADERSHIP

Club and Group Work

Church Leadership

Community Leadership

OUTDOOR LIFE LEADERSHIP

Woodcraft

Campcraft

III. ELECTIVES

The Growth of Christianity

The Old Testament

School and College Adjustment

The New Testament

Note: This adjustment of courses includes the vital principles of former courses. Former campers will find no difficulty in completing their work under this new arrangement.

THE CHALLENGING GIFT OF ONE ROTARY CLUB PRESIDENT

On June 4, upon the occasion of his retiring from the Presidency of the Slater, Missouri, Rotary Club, Mr. Charlie Bolte, father of Carl Bolte - Founder Camp graduate 1919, presented to the Club as a permanent token of esteem, an annual forty-three dollar scholarship in the leadership training camp of The American Youth Foundation - Camp Miniwanca, Shelby, Michigan. This scholarship is to be administered by a committee of Rotarians and awarded annually to an outstanding Junior or Senior of the Slater High School the selection of the student to be made on the basis of -

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|----------------|-------------------------|
| a. Scholarship | d. Physical Fitness |
| b. Character | e. Leadership in School |
| c. Service | f. Leadership in Church |

The gift was presented in the hope that it will be an incentive to the youth of Slater to adopt for themselves the purposeful motto of the Founder Camps - "My own self at my very best all the time" and that it may challenge the adults as well, and remind them of their responsibility in helping their boys and girls to live noble and purposeful lives.

We hope this fine project will inspire the giving of many similar permanent scholarships by outstanding citizens in local communities. The officers of The American Youth Foundation are very eager to receive the names of men and women who might be interested in this idea. It is not too late to put it into effect for the camps of this summer.

Carl Bolte rendered a real service to the youth of his community when he suggested this scholarship idea to his father. He writes: "I don't know when a gift has made such an impression as this one has. Dad certainly knocked a home run this time and is tickled pink."

Who will be next to make a similar contribution to the welfare and guidance of the youth of his community?

Come on, Founders, sell this great idea to the members of your local Rotary, Kiwanis, Lions Clubs and other organizations.



WHAT FOUNDER GRADUATES THINK ABOUT THEIR CAMP TRAINING

Here's what the old-timers think about their camp training. You who have had just one or two years training in the Founder Camps are challenged to follow the example of these graduates and go through to the finish.



"For me camp has always been an adventure! First of all, it challenged me to grow. It has given me more and better tools for service. Its friendships have dared me to do the difficult things I had never done before. Camp fellowship - past and present - I count as the most enriching experience of my life. Camp has continually set for me a goal of more abundant living. It has taught me the zest of "pressing toward the mark!"

- "Saxie" - Ruth Palmer

"In the life of every young man there comes the day when he stands at the cross-roads of life. Here he must make life decisions. How and where shall he invest his life? Conflicting purposes and objectives loom confusingly on every hand. At such a point I found myself when I first joined the Founder Fellowship. As a camper, the camp setting, the instructors, and the fine comradeship of the campers themselves all worked together to bring me to a Christian decision and the determination to serve the Master. As an instructor in the Founder Camps, the experience and contacts have meant strength for the spirit and tools for the hands in my profession."

- Wilbur Baird

"'The redemptive power of high recollections' - Kodaya's phrase - expresses the magic the Founder Camps hold for me. Recollections that include memories of the girls graduating in 1923, the lasting affection we feel for one another even though the years intervene - Kinji telling what he expected of each girl - the meaning of the Jesus Way, which has been a growing, guiding way of life; decisions made there and the enthusiasm and purpose generated to carry them out. Each day is richer, finer, fuller, because of the hours spent in evaluating one's personal living. Four priceless years! May yours be a similar experience."

- Jennie M. Doidge



"Hillside - Set-ups - Dip - Classes - Swimming - Yells - Night's Doings - Friendships - Tent Groups - Sand Dunes - Lakes - Evergreens - Quiet Nights - Full Days - all combine to give a well rounded fourfold camp experience. Those camp days have been an ever-present help in my profession as teacher of Physical Education. As I look forward to work ahead, each new problem seems easier of solving when approached with Jesus as a partner, because camp has given me that fourfold philosophy of life and helped me toward a place of Christian leadership."

- Joseph E. Whitwam

"When I 'talk camp' to the various girls of our Sunday School, clubs, or community, they always look incredulous when I say - 'The American Youth Foundation Camps seem to give to each girl what she needs.' But when they go to camp, they see what I mean, for that is exactly what camp does for them and has done for me. As I look back on the 'green' small-town person I was the first time I entered camp, I realize that it was my first two weeks at camp that made me see broader horizons, calling me to reach to them. It was a very different girl who went to camp my last year. I had experienced an unusually successful college year, a popular year in organizations, and had begun to feel I had arrived. Two weeks of contacts with really 'big' camp people that year showed me how many ways I could still improve myself if I wished to grow in usefulness. I have found camp can truly always give me what I need most in Christian ideals and worth while, wholesome inspiration, and so I continue to go back time and time again, and am always enriched by the experience."

- "Papa" Emily Huff
(Mrs. Wm. Gantner)

"Are you a Founder Graduate, or just a Founder? It's grand to go to camp for one or perhaps two years, but how much better it is to be one of Kinji's dreams and hopes - a graduate! It isn't necessary to say to old campers that each year camp furnishes a broader, richer, and fuller outlook on life, strengthening one's character and raising ideals to higher hopes and visions.

"Morrowvista offered me my first experience of camp life - working, playing, and living in God's great out-of-doors. I found that by being in camp I not only gained in health but increased in knowledge, skills, and attitudes, as well as obtaining a spiritual uplift. Each camp session builds a firmer foundation for one's beliefs. Why not continue building until the foundation is solid? Be a camp graduate and then, one step higher - a graduate from the Leaders' Institute. Morrowvista and Miniwanca have helped me tremendously, for through the Founder Camp experiences I have learned:

1. To make more worthy use of my leisure time.
2. To plan my daily work - taking time to commune with God
3. To offer my services willingly - at home, church, school
or elsewhere
4. To accept responsibilities more readily. The more I do, the
more I find I can do.
5. To make friends more easily. "Be a friend and you'll have a friend."
6. To live a balanced life - fourfold - R-S-M-P
7. To find joy in living the Jesus Way
8. To be myself at my very best all the time."

- Millie Vanderhoof

"The opportunity to work and play with others in God's great out-of-doors is a privilege which one cannot afford to miss. The logical answer is an organized purposeful summer camp. I have had the good fortune to attend and take part in the activities of three different types of summer camps. In two of these I had a great time, learned something of nature and formed friendships with other fellows. The third - Camp Morrowvista - gave me a great deal more than this. There, in the Mountains of New Hampshire, I found a goal to shoot at, an opportunity to participate in a program that embodied all sides of life and developed one to meet any situation life had to offer. Leadership training, fellowship, communion with God, and counselship of some of the country's outstanding leaders meant more to me in five two week periods than all my experiences throughout school and college and extra-curricular activities of the balance of my life. They have helped me to live a cleaner, finer and more wholesome life, and to participate in my home, church, and community activities with an ideal before me and a desire to benefit others as the leaders at Morrowvista have helped me. I am looking forward with anticipation to two more glorious weeks at Morrowvista this coming summer."

- Albert R. Gremse

"Camp instilled within me a desire to live completely, and gave me a measure to check effort versus achievement. It showed me how to live according to my best. The big thing is to find the way to create values in my work and my marginal activity; to inculcate Christian ideals and to unloose leaders. It is a continual



"dare to find sparks of individuality in students and fan them into a blaze.

"Let us all get back to camp and push back our horizons, rekindle our torches, follow the stars and find greater things. These days we need to drive our stakes a little deeper. We are distance runners and need to finish the course. We can do what we want to do, if we want to do it badly enough! On to Miniwanca again and carry on your torches of training."

- Minnie Maude Macaulay

THIS FINE LEADER'S

desire to point others to the Founder Camps and the Jesus Way, is manifested every year. Wadjepi had a great visit with Minnie Maude Macaulay this Spring There were 'big doings' at Ottawa University where she is Dean of Women and Director of Physical Education. Over eighty picked high school girls and teachers from a dozen points attended a Camp Miniwanca hour. That same night, between forty and fifty choice college students attended a special Founder Camp meeting. Minnie Maude says: "Watch Kansas - we want twenty campers this year." Come on, Kansas, we'll have a big welcome for you!

UP IN MINNESOTA

the St. Paul Founders had a mighty nice party at the home of Jennie Doidge. Campers and their prospects had a big time! Winslow Wilson has returned from Boston U. and is on the job lining up some of his friends for Miniwanca. Bill Schilling and the Minneapolis gang had an enjoyable picnic out at Wayzata (famous as the home of our Associate Director - Marie E. Shaver). Shirley Blackmarr assisted in arranging the program. We're expecting a fine bunch of Gophers in both Boys' and Girls' Camps.

THE MULES ARE BUSY, TOO

The St. Louis Founders had a great outing on May 19 at Purina Experimental Farm. About sixty-five were present and had a great time playing ball, etc., with a fine Council Circle in the evening. As a result, several prospects have decided to come to Miniwanca. Andy Stevens was Master of Ceremonies, with Marge Gleave and Sametta Coleman assisting. At Kansas City, Harriet Rex, Bonnie Ferguson, Blanche Longshore and the rest of the Founder bunch are working on a K. C. delegation for this summer.

SANDY

as usual, is very much on the job down in Kentucky. He reports he is going to have the finest bunch of Older Boys ever. Kodaya spent several days in Berea and Lexington. Martha Fugett and the other Founders say that his visit was one of the finest things that has happened there in a long time. They have started a Young People's Council and some of the notes taken in Jennie Doidge's class are certainly coming into use.

IN THE EAST

our Merrowvista Founders are forging ahead with plans for big camps this summer. It's going to be a great camp - with all those new cabins. Our fine leader from New Hampshire - Mrs. Mary Blair - is the latest to send in a check for the cabin fund. We hope the "Granite State" will have a good delegation to help dedicate their cabin. Mrs. Blair expects to have two campers from West Epping.

AL GREMSE AND DAVE GREEN

are planning to hire a bus this summer and drive about 20 fellows up to Merrowvista from the states of New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Delaware. They are working hard to reach that quota. Wadjepi had a fine visit in East Orange and also with Ross Snyder at Maplewood. We're hoping there will be some Maplewood fellows on that bus, too.

THE GIRLS OF JERSEY

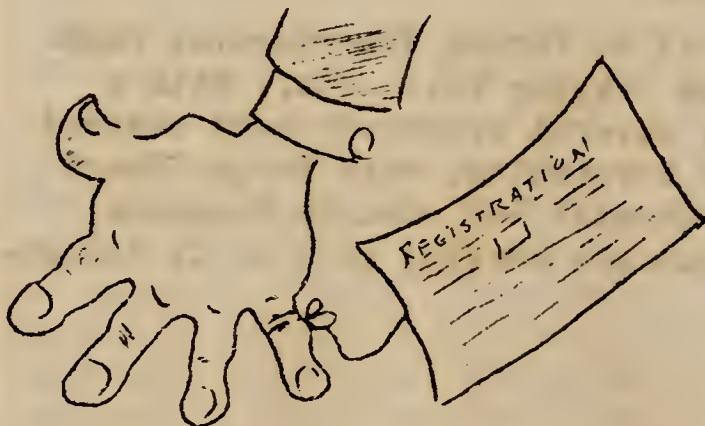
are wide awake, too. Evelyn Funkhouser is signing up some campers and Capt. Adams is lining up her girls. Capt. will probably bring the whole bunch up with her.

DAVE SCOTT

and the other Massachusetts campers and leaders also entertained Wadjepi this Spring. They are on their toes and are working on some new prospects. These leaders are also hoping to get some of the old graduates back. We hope Dave will see that Don McQuillan is with the bunch when they arrive at Merrowvista.

REV. JOHN POWELL

reports that Bronxville, New York, will have three former campers and several new fellows at Merrowvista. Wadjepi had a most pleasant visit with John and Mrs. Powell.



IS YOUR REGISTRATION IN?

Campers and leaders will help us greatly in making arrangements for the Senior Camps if they will mail in their registration cards just as soon as possible. If you have no card, drop us a line and we shall be glad to supply you.

THE TREASURE HUNT IS STILL ON

We appreciate more than we can say, the continued efforts of certain campers and leaders of past years in soliciting contributions from their friends for the purpose of furnishing scholarship help to worthy boys and girls who otherwise would not be able to attend the Founder Camps and receive Christian leadership training. Jo Royer Thomas, Jean Herdeg, Jessie Wylie, Lucile Schreiner, Marian Hockenberry, Helen Gill Lovett and others are still rendering this fine service to youth.

MINISINO

recently visited the Century of Progress and reports that it is much better than last year with many interesting additions. Campers who can conveniently do so will probably want to come by way of Chicago and visit the Fair either before or after camp.

RAILROAD RATES TO THE FAIR

are lower this year than last, so be sure to check carefully to see that you get the benefit of these special excursion rates in buying your ticket.

A NUMBER OF FOUNDERS

have written that they are still saving dimes and will send in their cards soon. Applications for help are still being received and your contribution will help swell the Scholarship Fund which has dwindled so sadly during the depression years. If you have not already sent in your contribution, mail it to Camp Miniwanca, Shelby, Michigan. . . . you will be giving some girl or fellow a boost in getting to camp.

DON'T FORGET

the new Pre-Senior Units of the Founder Camps. The boys and girls who attended last year were delighted with their experience and it is quite certain that these camps for boys and girls 15½ to 17 years of age are going to become increasingly popular, forming as they do a link between the junior and senior units. The dates for this summer are as follows:

Pre-Senior Boys August 6 to September 3

Pre-Senior Girls . . . July 10 to August 20

Send us the names of any likely prospects for these camps and we shall be glad to write them and mail camp folders and further information.

OUR FINE MICHIGAN LEADERS OF LAST SUMMER

Ben Hennink of Charlotte, and John Hopkins of Luther, are planning to have some of their boys at Miniwanca again this summer. Ben has been very active this past year and has made a very fine contribution to the work of his county and state.

THAT'S GOING TO BE A GREAT OLDER BOYS' CAMP AT MINIWANCA

Already fellows are registered from thirty-five states and Canada. And speaking of Canada, reminds us that Murray Wilton, the president of the Century Class, just sent in a fine contribution to the Canadian scholarship fund. We are hoping that the members of last year's Canadian delegation as well as the Dominion representatives of other

years - Jack Stothart, Gordon Wright, Sidney Henry, et al, will cooperate with Murray in getting an even larger delegation to Miniwanca this summer.



FOUNDERS' CHAT SHEET

Ronald Blair (Century Class) reports that his home town Sunday School Class has definitely decided to send a member of the class to Miniwanca. That's fine salesmanship and a fine service to the church and the fellow who is selected. We'll be glad to see you at Miniwanca, too, Ronald.

Russell Handy (Miniwanca graduate '33) of Angola, Indiana, will also be in Older Boys' Camp. Leonard Vaughan over in South Bend is planning to have some of his young people augment the Hoosier delegation this summer.

And what do you think? Old Altoona, Pennsylvania, will be represented in camp again this year. Yessir, we're looking for that good old chariot full of campers and leaders on August 20. C'mon Altoona and the rest of you Pennsylvanians - let's see if you can't grab that shield again!

On June 22, Evalyn Livesey - Arbor Vitae '29, will become Mrs. Bill Van Looy. Bill attended Miniwanca in 1928. Founder good wishes to you both!

Allan Clark - Spartans '31 - will also take the BIG STEP and on June 16 will be married to Miss Elizabeth Lyman. J. D. Neubauer of Louisville, Ky., will be best man. A long, happy life to you, Elizabeth and Al!

Women students of Antioch College scored over the men in cultural subjects of recent Carnegie Foundation tests given there. Margaret White of Canton, Ohio, a Founder graduate, led the advanced students in history and social science.

A note from Irene Perry of South Royalton, Vermont, tells us that she is planning to be at Merrowvista this summer. We hope Neal will be back, too.

Mildred Shanley Lovett, Wigeopos '20 - will be a leader at Miniwanca this summer. We shall all be delighted to have Mildred join our famous "Featherhead Tribe" and won't she have a great time!

We're going to be lucky at Miniwanca this summer - "Kimmie" - Miss Bertha Kimble of Springfield, Illinois, will be with us again. Sorry that Kimmie can't make Merrowvista, too.

Sam Waymer, White Caps President, paid a nice little visit to the Founder office the other day. Sam is back from New York (where he is a member of the National Boy Scouts staff) for a brief visit with his family.

Harriet Hall - First Score '33 - has been singing regularly over WGY in Schenectady. Harriet is one of "The Three Schoolmaids." We should like to receive the good news that she will be at Merrowvista again this summer. How about it, Harriet

On April 11, little Rudyard Carl arrived to gladden the hearts of Mr. and Mrs. Larmon Abbott of 407 Cheshire Drive, Grand Rapids, Mich. Mother "Lib" was Elizabeth Elson - Dedicators '28 and Daddy "Luke" attended Miniwanca in 1926.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivan J. Stehman of Lemoyne, Pa. are the proud parents of Malcolm Hughes - born April 12. Mrs. Stehman was Genevieve Hughes.-

TRAVELING INSTRUCTIONS FOR MERROWVISTA CAMPERS

Boys' Camp opens officially with supper, Sunday, July 1st
Girls' " " " " " " July 15th

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All campers and leaders are expected to be in camp at starting time.

If you are coming by way of Boston, plan your trip to arrive in Boston the Sunday morning that camp begins, in time to take the Boston & Maine train from North Station at 7:30 A.M. (Eastern Standard Time) to Mountain View, N. H. There is only one train on Sunday. (Be sure to have your local ticket agent verify this schedule for you.) Do not come a day early - we will not be able to accommodate you.

BUYING YOUR TICKET

Insist on Agent giving you a round trip Summer Tourist Ticket to Mountain View, N. H. Make application for ticket well in advance of going to camp, so that Agent can secure tariff data from head office of railroad in event of not having information in hand regarding Mountain View, N. H.

FOR THOSE TRAVELING BY RAIL OR BOAT

Some campers travel by boat from Philadelphia and other points to Boston - then rail to camp. You can purchase a Summer Tourist rail and boat ticket to Mountain View, N. H. Upon arrival in Boston, make connections with the above train schedule for Mountain View.

ARRIVING AT MOUNTAIN VIEW

Mountain View is a small village. You will be met at the station by one of the representatives of the camp. A contract has been made with a local hauling concern for conveying campers from Mountain View to camp. A very low rate of 50¢ for the trip has been named. A charge of 10¢ will be made for each parcel or suitcase that is hauled to and from camp.

VISITORS

Relatives of campers are invited to visit the camps. If space is available, we will gladly accommodate visitors over night (in a guest tent) and for meals. Nominal rates will be charged. If accommodations cannot be provided at Camp Merrowvista, reservations may be made at the Village Hotel, five miles from camp, or at Rolin Park, across Danhole Lake.

BE SURE TO SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

WHAT TO TAKE TO CAMP

Bathing suit (two if you have them)
Bathing cap and shoes
Pajamas
Slicker
Heavy sweater or jacket
Tennis shoes - low-heeled oxfords
Bathrobe
Socks or stockings
Needle, thread, pins, safety pins
Comic costume (if you have one)
Musical instrument (if you wish)
Tennis racket (Miniwanca)
Kodak (if desired)

Comb and brush
Handkerchiefs
Tooth brush and container
Tooth paste
Soap and container
Pocket knife
Flashlight
Bible
Wrapping paper and twine if
mailing bundles home.
Fountain pen and pencils
Old pair shoes to wear on hike
to swimming dock

SPECIAL LIST FOR GIRLS

Shirts or middies
Wool knickers or shorts
At least one pair of white knickers
Practical underwear

SPECIAL LIST FOR BOYS

Shirts
Extra pair of old trousers
or overalls
Underwear
Gym suits

NOTE: It is well to mark your name or initials on all your clothes and equipment.

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WHAT TO MAIL TO CAMP TWO WEEKS BEFORE STARTING ON YOUR TRIP

3 warm blankets
Change of sheets - cot size
Change of pillow slips
Face towels - bath towels - wash cloths
Sweater or shoes that you may not want to carry

Use the enclosed
mailing stickers
and also write address
on package.

Films, notebooks and paper, camp stationery, camp postcards and stamps are on sale at the camp store.

IMPORTANT - Campers who cannot swim must wear red bathing caps. Others wear other colored caps.

Do not have candy or food mailed to you at camp. You will have plenty to eat at meal time.

<u>CAMP MAILING ADDRESSES</u>	<u>CAMP MINIWANCA</u> c/o American Youth Foundation, Camp Miniwanca, Shelby, Michigan.	<u>CAMP MERROWVISTA</u> Camp Merrowvista, Center Ossipee, N. H.
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Be sure to send mail in plenty of time to reach camp before your arrival
Wrap packages carefully.

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TRAVELING INSTRUCTIONS

FOR CAMPERS ENROLLED FOR CAMP MINIWANCA, MICHIGAN

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WHEN YOU ARE DUE IN CAMP

Girls' Camp opens officially with supper, Monday, August 6th
Boys' Camp " " " " " " 20th

All campers and leaders should be in camp on date of opening. To make this connection it is advisable to arrive in Muskegon or Ludington, Michigan, on Monday morning - the opening day of camp.

Please do not come a day earlier as we will not be able to accommodate you. Look up your connections and plan accordingly.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR CAMPERS COMING THROUGH CHICAGO

Take Pere Marquette train from Grand Central Station, South Wells and Harrison Sts. Older Girls leave Chicago Sunday night, August 5th Older Boys Sunday night August 19th. Train leaves at 11:30 P.M. Central Standard Time. At ticket window ask for camper receipt which ticket agent will give you. Fill out receipt and agent will give you special \$3.00 round trip ticket which you will pay for AFTER YOU ARRIVE AT CAMP. Tear off address blank on last page of this Founder Fire and take it with you to identify you as an American Youth Foundation camper. Your destination on this ticket is Muskegon, Michigan.

If you want a berth reservation, write ahead to General Passenger Agent, Pere Marquette Railway, 327 S. La Salle St., Chicago, Ill.

FROM MUSKEGON TO CAMP

Those who arrive on Pere Marquette Railway or others arriving in Muskegon early Monday morning, will travel by chartered Greyhound bus direct to Camp Miniwanca. Fare \$1.25 one way. Meet at Greyhound Bus Station.

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for campers in Michigan, Ohio, Indiana, Ontario, New York, and Pennsylvania. See your agent for best routing to Muskegon. Your connections to Muskegon, Michigan, will undoubtedly be by way of Grand Rapids. Be sure to make connections so as to take early morning train on the Pennsylvania Railroad leaving Grand Rapids at 7:55 and arriving at Muskegon at 9:20 A.M. Monday. Check up on this with your Railroad Agent. If, by any chance, connections at Grand Rapids are missed, take 11:50 A.M. train or bus (across from R.R. Station) from Grand Rapids to Muskegon and go to the Greyhound Bus waiting room in Muskegon. Get to Muskegon as soon as possible. Then take first Greyhound bus to Shelby, Michigan, and telephone to camp. We will call for you. NOTE: This latter is for emergency only.

This year because of the Fair, you may find it cheaper to come to Miniwanca by way of Chicago. Exceedingly low rates apply on the railroads. If you plan to go to the Fair, you will want to buy a round trip ticket to Chicago, and then join the camp crowd on the trip from Chicago to Muskegon.

STEAMERS FROM MILWAUKEE

Campers traveling from Milwaukee by boat, write Pere Marquette Steamship Company, Milwaukee, Wisc., for schedule. Upon arrival at Ludington, take Greyhound bus to Shelby. Phone Camp Miniwanca from the Shelby Hotel and we will call for you.

A party of four or five can get a taxi direct from Ludington to Camp Miniwanca - if desired.

EMERGENCY INSTRUCTIONS

This is for emergency which we do not think will take place. If you miss all connections and get to Muskegon late in the day, go to the Greyhound Motor Coach waiting room to meet any other emergency campers; then take Greyhound bus, regular scheduled run to Shelby, Michigan. Go to Shelby Hotel (there is only one) and call up Camp Miniwanca at Stony Lake and we will come for you.

DRIVING THROUGH TO CAMP

If you plan to drive through to camp, head for Muskegon, Michigan. Go north on U.S. 31 to New Era, approximately 30 miles north of Muskegon. Turn left at New Era and follow gravel road due west to Camp Miniwanca. Camp signs mark the road.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR MAILING PACKAGES

The simplest and safest way to mail or express your camp material is to send it in a canvas duffel bag. You can get one from any sporting goods store. Suitcases or boxes may also be mailed or expressed. MAIL YOUR BEDDING AND DUFFEL BAG AND OTHER MATERIAL AT LEAST A WEEK BEFORE CAMP BEGINS. You want to be sure to have your stuff awaiting you when you arrive in camp.

SUMMER MAILING ADDRESSES

The offices of The American Youth Foundation in St. Louis will be closed during the summer months, beginning June 16. All business pertaining to the Foundation and to the summer camps will be transacted from the summer administration headquarters, Camp Miniwanca, Shelby, Michigan. Address all Merrowvista registrations to Camp Merrowvista, Center Ossipee, N. H.

VISITORS

Relatives of campers are invited to visit the camps. If space is available, we will gladly accommodate visitors over night (in a guest tent) and for meals. Nominal rates will be charged. For those who cannot be accommodated at Miniwanca, there is a splendid little resort lodge near the camp where accommodations may be had at reasonable rates. For rates and reservations write to H. E. Huey, Manager, Benona Lodge, R. F. D. #2, Shelby, Michigan.

READ YOUR INSTRUCTIONS AGAIN

Take them with you on your trip. All questions are answered.



"I decided that I must not think any more about going back."

In a recent sermon my pastor, Dr. Jay T. Stocking, said:

"Today a tablet will be unveiled to Colonel Lindbergh, commemorating the seventh anniversary of his flight to Paris. It is still a marvel that he dared to attempt this solitary danger. It is well to recall his words about a certain moment in that flight.

'I decided that I must not think any more about going back.'

"In that expectant resolute call upon his own resources lay his triumph. Living with expectancy gives us courage to continue our labors on behalf of causes whose success is stubbornly contested and long delayed."

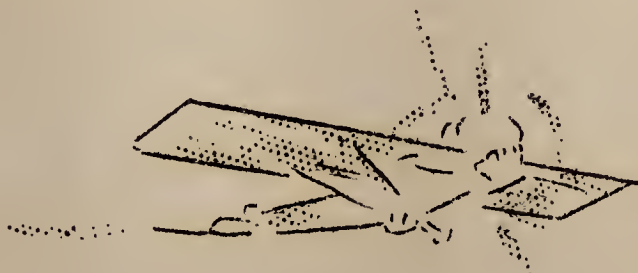
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Founders, you are fighting your way ahead. As we begin the summer, have no thought of going back. Repeat with me those determined words of Colonel Lindbergh:

"I decided that I must not think any more about going back."

Then with that spirit in you, go ahead to the Fourfold goals you have set for yourself.

- Minisino



CHALLENGING DAYS

are ahead at Merrowvista and Miniwanca - two
big weeks of inspiration, fellowship and progress.
A glorious adventure in self discovery and leader-
ship training. May your camp experience prove to
be a real turning point in your life.
See you in camp!

Wadjepi
Dad
Horace
Kicica

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